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DECISION ON PETITION  
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UNDER 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3)  
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This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3), filed May 3, 2011, to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. 120 for the benefit of priority to the prior-filed nonprovisional applications set forth in the request for a certificate of correction filed November 22, 2010.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A proper claim for the benefit of priority to the above-noted, prior-filed nonprovisional application was not made within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 1.78(a)(2)(ii).

Because, the instant application was filed after November 29, 2000, a petition under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3), along with submission of a Certificate of Correction, is the appropriate avenue of relief to accept a late claim for the benefit of priority to a prior-filed nonprovisional application after issuance of the application into a patent. See MPEP 1481.03.

As the instant petition for acceptance of an unintentionally delayed claim for the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 to the above-noted, prior-filed nonprovisional applications satisfies the conditions of 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3), the petition is granted.

This patented file is being forwarded to the Certificates of Correction Branch for processing the request for a Certificate of Correction.

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